

HEARING SCHEDULE
CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS BEGINNING FEBRUARY 12, 2001

Monday, February 12, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, February 13, 2001	12:30 P.M.	The Economic Development, Training and Employment Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the city's web site, an update on the services of Career Source and services offered to city employees by Bunker Hill Community College. (Sullivan Chamber)
	6:15 P.M.	The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss in lieu of tax payments by universities and institutions as well as removal of taxable property from the tax rolls. (Sullivan Chamber)
	7:30 P.M.	The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to continue discussions on the hiring process of the City Auditor for the city. (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, February 14, 2001		The Ordinance Committee will conduct public hearings as follows:

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	4:30 P.M.	To consider proposed amendments to the following sections of the Municipal Code to comport with amendments to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, the Uniform Procurement Act. (Sullivan Chamber)
	5:00 P.M.	To consider proposed amendments to the Responsible Employer Ordinance to include public works contracts such as roadways and sewers. (Sullivan Chamber)
Thursday, February 15, 2001	5:30 P.M.	The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will receive a presentation from Ben Hamilton Baillie, a Loeb Fellow at Harvard on traffic calming measures used in Europe. (Sullivan Chamber)
	6:30 P.M.	The Transportation, Traffic and Parking Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the issue of traffic enforcement in the City. (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, February 20, 2001	8:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.	The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a planning meeting to discuss issues of civic unity in the city. (Ackermann Room)
	12:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee will conduct a working session. (Ackermann Room)

Wednesday, February 21, 2001	5:30 P.M.	The Housing Committee will hold a public hearing on the Community Preservation Act. (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, February 26, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, February 27, 2001	5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.	The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a follow-up meeting to discuss civic unity issues in the city. (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, February 28, 2001	4:30 P.M.	The Ordinance Committee will hold a public hearing to consider the amendment of the Zoning Ordinance of Section 11.501 Interim Planning Overlay Special Permit (IPOP) to replace the termination date. (Sullivan Chamber)
	5:00 P.M.	The Ordinance Committee will hold a public hearing to consider the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to rezone the Alewife area. (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, March 5, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Friday, March 16, 2001	10:00 A.M.	The Public Safety Committee will conduct a round table meeting to discuss public safety issues in coordination with the FY02 budget (Grainger Room – Police Station 5 Western Avenue)
Monday, March 19, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)

Tuesday, March 20, 2001	12:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the issue of the status of neighborhood planning committees, what has been done, implementation and feed back. (Sullivan Chamber)
	5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.	The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss issues of civic unity in the city. (Sullivan Chamber)
Wednesday, March 21, 2001	6:30 P.M.	The Finance Committee will conduct a round table meeting with the School Committee to discuss the FY02 School Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, March 26, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, March 27, 2001	12:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss issues relating to neighborhood planning. (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, April 2, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, April 9, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, April 17, 2001	5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.	The Civic Unity Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss issues of civic unity in the city. (Sullivan Chamber)

Monday, April 23, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, April 24, 2001	12:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	The Neighborhood Long Term Planning Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss issues relating to neighborhood planning. (Sullivan Chamber)
Saturday, April 28, 2001	1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.	The Neighborhood and Long Term Planning Committee and the Economic Development, Training and Employment will conduct a joint public meeting to discuss the make-up, mission and function of the Central Square Advisory Committee, the issue of trash pickup, construction, bus stops, bus shelters, obstruction at Carl Barron Plaza and the Green Street Streetscape and any other matters relating to the Central Square area. (Senior Center, 806 Massachusetts Avenue)
Monday, April 30, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, May 1, 2001	10:30 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.	The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY02 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)
Monday, May 7, 2001	5:30 P.M.	Regular City Council Meeting (Sullivan Chamber)
Tuesday, May 8, 2001	10:30 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.	The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY02 City Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)

Tuesday, May 8, 2001	6:00 P.M.	The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY02 School Department Budget. (Sullivan Chamber)
Thursday, May 10, 2001	10:30 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.	The Finance Committee will conduct a public meeting to discuss the FY02 City Budget. (IF NECESSARY) (Sullivan Chamber)

FEBRUARY 12, 2001

1. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the City's FY2000 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.
2. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 01-146**, regarding plans to implement an annual mailing of all housing programs and tenant protections available to resident.
3. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 01-149**, regarding the progress made since the agreement was signed to preserve affordable housing units at Fresh Pond Apartments.
4. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 00-127**, regarding a report on clarifying the supervisory role of the executive director of the Police Review & Advisory Board.
5. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 01-145**, regarding a report on the status of negotiations with a second cable provider.
6. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 01-147**, regarding a report on clarifying certain rules and operating procedures of the Election Commission.
7. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Number 00-62**, regarding a report on implementing a plan for the establishment of permanent public toilet facilities.
8. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to **Awaiting Report Item Numbers 01-143, 01-148, and 01-150**, regarding snow and ice issues.

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9. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to an order requesting the appropriation of \$2,000,000 from AT&T/MediaOne of Massachusetts for the following:
 - A. \$150,000 to the Public Investment Finance Department/MIS Extraordinary Expenditures Account for equipment necessary to allow video transmission over the municipal fiber network;
 - B. \$850,000 to the Public Investment Executive Department Extraordinary Expenditures Account for a new City Hall Production Facility (\$632,000); reimbursement to CCTV for payment for a fiber reconnection removed from Prospect Street (\$18,000); and to increase access to City services via the City's web page and to increase residents access to the Internet (\$200,000); and
 - C. \$1,000,000 to the Public Investment Executive Department Extraordinary Expenditure Account received as part of the new cable license negotiated by the City to be used for: CCTV for capital funding (\$500,000), upgrade of the School Committee Production Facility (\$250,000), and future cable/telecommunications equipment needs (\$250,000).
10. Transmitting communication from Robert W. Healy, City Manager, relative to the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$8,200,000 for the complete environmental remediation, demolition and reconstruction of the interior of City Hall Annex, 57 Inman Street.

February 12, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 00-127, please be advised that M.G.L. Chapter 43, Section 103 states that “the City Manager shall be responsible for the administration of all departments, commissions, boards and officers of the City, whether established before its adoption of this plan or thereafter”.

Therefore, the Executive Secretary of the Police Review and Advisory Board is responsible to the City Manager. Since this is a position that serves as staff to an appointed board, the Executive Secretary also would be responsible to provide staff support to the Board, subject to budgetary allocations.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

February 12, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 00-59, regarding a report on the possibility of providing closed caption on all televised City Council meetings and hearings, received from Cable Television Director Calvin Lindsay.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

February 12, 2000

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached for your information the City's FY2000 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

February 12, 2001

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I am hereby requesting the appropriation and authorization to borrow \$8,200,000 for the complete environmental remediation, demolition and reconstruction of the interior of City Hall Annex, 57 Inman Street, to address the problems identified in that facility in the past year. After the remediation and demolition is complete, the rebuilding of the interior will begin in conformance with the design plans determined by the architect and City officials. Any additional work required on the exterior of the facility will also be covered by this appropriation.

Enclosed, for your additional information, is a summary of the building program, developed by David Perry Architects.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

Consent Agenda Item No. 10

February 12, 2001

ORDERED: That \$8,200,000 is appropriated for the purpose of remodeling reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to the City Hall Annex, located at 57 Inman Street, including the replacement of windows; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the City Manager is authorized to borrow \$8,200,000 and issue bonds or notes therefor under G.L. c.44; and that the City Manager is authorized to take all other action necessary to carry out the project.

February 12, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 01-149, regarding a report on the progress made since the agreement was signed to preserve affordable housing units at Fresh Pond Apartments, received from Assistant City Manager for Community Development Beth Rubenstein.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

TO: Robert W. Healy, City Manager

FROM: Beth Rubenstein, Assistant City Manager
for Community Development

DATE: February 5, 2001

RE: Council Order #5 dated 1/22/01: Report on progress made since the agreement was signed to preserve affordable housing units at Fresh Pond Apartments.

In response to the above referenced Council Order, the Community Development Department requested that Schochet Associates, Inc., owner of Fresh Pond Apartments, and Federal Management Company, Inc., the apartment manager, report on their progress in complying with the terms and conditions of the affordability agreement for the development. Their report is attached.

Background Information

In spring 2000, the City of Cambridge, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Fresh Pond residents, and the owner of Fresh Pond Apartments worked together to preserve 504 affordable units and prevent conversion to market rate. In May 2000, the owner, HUD, and City signed an agreement to preserve the affordability of the development. The agreement also included capital improvements, environmental work, and a tenant selection plan.

Progress to Date

The attached report, covers major activities since the agreement was executed in spring 2000. In summary, the owner reports the following:

- Capital improvements required to date are complete.
- All environmental testing and remediation are complete. The work was planned, overseen and certified and by a licensed environmental site professional (work included asbestos, lead, and a 21E environmental assessment).
- Remediation expenses are funded over and above the 5-year Capital Plan budget.
- Rent levels have been adjusted based on the terms set forth in the agreement. The owner has made efforts to utilize Section 8 certificates through an initial outreach effort and as tenants re-certify their annual income. Rents will be increased in the near future based on HUD's Operating Cost Adjustment Factor; this increase will not be passed on to tenants with Section 8 vouchers.
- The Tenant Selection Plan and waiting list procedures have been implemented.

In the report, the owner indicates they are willing to meet with tenants to discuss any outstanding issues or concerns that tenants may have about the building.

February 12, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 01-146, regarding a report on plans to implement an annual mailing of all housing programs and tenant protections available to residents of the City, received from Assistant City Manager for Community Development Beth Rubenstein.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

To: Robert W. Healy, City Manager

From: Beth Rubenstein, Assistant City Manager for Community Development

Date: February 5, 2001

Re: Calendar Item #1, dated 1/22/01. Report on plans to implement an annual mailing of all housing programs and tenant protections available to residents of the city.

In response to the above request, the Community Development (CDD) and Department of Human Service Programs (DHSP) will prepare and mail an information packet on city housing programs to all Cambridge households in spring 2001.

The information packet will outline the programs and services related to housing offered by City departments, non-profit agencies, and the Cambridge Housing Authority. The information packet will include a summary of services and contact information, including:

- Affordable Rental Housing, including the City and Cambridge Housing Authority's programs (e.g., Inclusionary Zoning and Section 8);
- First-time Homebuyer education and financial assistance;
- Tenant-Landlord Mediation Services;
- Legal Services;
- State Condominium Conversion Protection Law; and
- Multi-Service Center (MSC) Programs, including services for homeless and near-homeless families and individuals; transitional program and case management services; elderly/disabled housing advice, counseling, and assistance; housing search and stabilization.

This mailing will supplement existing outreach efforts offered by the CDD and DHSP such as program flyers, outreach events, and the City's web site.

February 12, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 01-147, regarding a report on clarifying certain rules and operating procedures of the Election Commission, received from the Board of Election Commissioners.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

February 12, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 01-145, regarding a report on the status of negotiations with a second cable provider, please be advised of the following:

While RCN is reducing some of its licensing negotiations in a number of municipalities in Massachusetts, RCN is still interested in proceeding with negotiations in Cambridge.

The City has been in active negotiations with RCN that hopefully will conclude in the Spring.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec

February 12, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 00-62, regarding a report on implementing a plan for the establishment of permanent public toilet facilities, received from Chief Public Health Officer Harold Cox.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

February 12, 2001

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I am requesting the appropriation of \$2 million from AT&T/MediaOne of Massachusetts for the purposes outline below. \$1 million was received by the City as part of a settlement agreement regarding issues of the former license and the transfer of that license from MediaOne to AT&T; another \$1 million, to be fully received by June of this year, is capital funding required in the new Cable License with AT&T (10 year license effective December 30, 2000). I request that these funds be appropriated as follows:

- (a) \$150,000 to the Public Investment Finance Department/MIS Extraordinary Expenditure Account for equipment necessary to allow video transmission over the municipal fiber network.
- (b) \$850,000 to the Public Investment Executive Department Extraordinary Expenditure Account for:

A new City Hall Production Facility; cameras for the Sullivan Chamber; lights, cameras, audio system and microphones for the Ackermann Room, the Senior Center, and 57 Inman Street; a mobile production van; and studio cameras (\$632,000);

Reimbursement to CCTV for payment for a fiber reconnection when it moved to Prospect Street (\$18,000); and

To increase access to City services via the City's web page, and increase residents access to the Internet (\$200,000). These services will be developed, in part, through a new "Office for Constituent Services."

- (c) \$1,000,000 to the Public Investment Executive Department Extraordinary Expenditure Account, received as part of the new cable license negotiated by the City, to be used for:

\$500,000 to CCTV for capital funding. In large part, CCTV will be using these funds to replace/upgrade aging equipment in its studio and edit suites, and replace analogue equipment with digital production equipment.

\$250,000 to upgrade the School Committee Production Facility, for new cameras for the Media Cafeteria, and other video production hardware.

\$250,000 for future cable/telecommunications equipment needs.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Attachment

February 12, 2001

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item Numbers 01-143, 01-148, and 01-150 regarding the clearing of snow and ice from sidewalks, please be advised of the following:

The Department of Public Works directs the clearing of snow from streets and sidewalks in the City. This year, under the direction of the Deputy Commissioner, the Department has taken several steps to place much greater emphasis on clearing of sidewalks after storms. The Department has assigned additional inspectors and is more closely coordinating with both the School and Traffic, Parking & Transportation Departments who assigns PCO's for greater enforcement. DPW staff have been engaged in a series of meetings to create a greater awareness for pedestrian issues in the aftermath of a snowstorm. In addition, all business districts were leafleted last fall (sample attached) and information was sent out with tax and water bills and in "Val Packs", reminding citizens and business owners of their responsibilities to clear their sidewalks after storms. It is our intent to continue this aggressive approach and to employ additional methods to get the word out. We of course welcome all suggestions to help improve our campaign. Phase III of the Snow Clearing Operations consists of a wide scope of services. A current list of locations that must be cleared of snow and ice is listed below.

- School guarded crosswalks (55)
- Residential snow exemption list (68) + growing
- Pedestrian Plazas (4)
 - Carl Barron Plaza
 - The Kiosk on Mass. Ave.
 - Deguglielmo Plaza
 - Elliott St Plaza
 - Dawes Memorial
- MBTA Stations (4)
 - Lechmere Square Station
 - Porter Square Station
 - N. Cambridge Trackless Trolley Facility
 - Alewife Station

- MBTA Bus Stops (395 stops)
- Pre-School entrances and adjacent sidewalks (8)
- City Owned Public Buildings (12), and assistance as necessary to the custodians at the libraries (7) and school and school department facilities (17).
- City Parks and the surrounding areas of the parks, including pedestrian corridors.

These locations are cleared as expeditiously as possible, depending on the timing of the storm. Resources are deployed to clear sidewalks, ramps and plazas seven days per week, as necessary. This program is proving to be very effective. Residents wishing more information should call the DPW at 349-4800 and ask for Annette Rodibaugh.

Enforcement

Chapter 12.16 of the Cambridge Municipal Code states that all snow must be cleared from the sidewalk "within twelve hours after snow ceases to fall in the daytime and before one p.m. after a fall of snow during the night..."Ice needs to be removed or covered with sand or other suitable substance within 6 hours after the sidewalk becomes encumbered with ice."

It should be noted that the nature of this year storms, snow mixed with sleet and ice, has caused great difficulty for all in clearing sidewalks. In spite of the frequency of this seasons storms, we have kept school open without any cancellations to date. The School Department and the DPW have worked out an effective plan to pool resources to maximize the most efficient clearing operations at all school locations.

After a storm event, the Parking Control Officers (PCOs) of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department and Compliance Officers in the Department of Public Works enforce Chapter 12.16 of the Cambridge Municipal Code. PCOs issue warnings or citations along their scheduled parking ticket routes. Compliance Officers respond to the "Snow/Sidewalk Hotline" (349-4903) and issue warnings and citations along routes with higher volumes of pedestrian traffic. This winter season DPW has responded to over 600 calls to the Snow Hotline.

As of February 7, 2001, a total of 661 violations have been issued (612 warnings and 49 \$25 violations).

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Attachments

February 12, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

As requested in Council Order No. 15, dated 2/5/01, please find attached a detailed explanation of the expenditures of \$500,000 for building renovations to the Fletcher School building to prepare it for relocation of the Cambridgeport School, which was City Manager's Consent Agenda Number 7 on February 5, 2001.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mec
Attachment

MASSACHUSETTS

**City Council Calendar No. 5
Monday, February 12, 2001**

At 5:30 P.M.

CHARTER RIGHT

1. Charter Right exercised by Councillor Toomey and Councillor Sullivan on Consent Agenda #7 of February 5, 2001 on the transfer of \$500,000 from the unexpended balance of bonds to fund minor building renovations to the Fletcher School building to prepare it for the relocation of the Cambridgeport School in September, 2001.

ON THE TABLE

2. Consent Agenda #17, relative to a Preservation Easement for 2 Holyoke Place (Fly Club).
3. Order submitted by Councillor Davis to draft new rezoning proposal for Riverside Neighborhood adjacent to Western Avenue.
4. Landmark Designation Study Report for Shady Hill Square, 1-11 Shady Hill Square and 36 Holden Street.
5. An order introduced by Councillor Reeves regarding an allocation for a planning study for Riverside.

6. Committee Report #2 of February 5, 2001 from the Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee for the purpose of evaluating the process used by the City Council to evaluate the City Manager.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinances to amend the zoning relating to the Citywide Rezoning petition. The question comes on passing to be ordained on or after February 5, 2001. **The deadline for this petition is February 12, 2001.**

**APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS -
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2001**

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| 1. An application was received from Border India Restaurant requesting permission to erect an awning at the premises numbered 781 Main Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development and abutters. | 1. |
| 2. An application was received from Massachusetts Alliance of Portuguese Speakers requesting permission to erect seven awnings at the premises numbered 1046 Cambridge Street. Approval has been received from Inspectional Services, Community Development and abutters. | 2. |
| 3. Approval of constable bond surety was received from Angelo Gomez, Jr. | 3. |

**CONSENT COMMUNICATIONS -
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2001**

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| 1. A communication was received from Carl F. Barron, President, Central Square Business Association, transmitting concern of the pigeon population in Central Square. | 1. |
| 2. A communication was received from David Hoicka, urging the City Council to pass the entire Citywide Zoning petition. | 2. |
| 3. A communication was received from the family of Arthur F. Libitz, transmitting grateful appreciation for the expression of sympathy adopted by the City Council. | 3. |
| 4. A communication was received from David E. Sullivan, transmitting thanks for the thoughtful resolution on his Florida recount efforts. | 4. |
| 5. A communication was received from Jonathan S. Myers, Executive Director of Training Innovations, Inc., transmitting thanks for the City Council's support for funding for Training Innovations, Inc. | 5. |
| 6. A communication was received from Sheila G. Cook, urging the City Council to pass the Citywide Rezoning petition. | 6. |

**RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2001**

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| 1. Congratulations to Bartley's Burger Cottage on their 40 th Year Anniversary.
Councillor Born | 1. |
| 2. Resolution on the death of Antoinette J. Cappello.
Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 2. |
| 3. Resolution on the death of Margaret J. Casey.
Mayor Galluccio and entire membership | 3. |
| 4. Resolution on the death of Rita Marie Conlon.
Councillor Sullivan and entire membership | 4. |
| 5. Resolution on the death of Ivin Dottin.
Councillors Sullivan, Toomey, Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Reeves and entire membership | 5. |
| 6. Resolution on "Talking Map: Urban Women's Stories" a project of the Cambridge Arts Council and the Cambridge Women's Commission.
Mayor Galluccio and Councillor Sullivan | 6. |
| 7. Thanks to Amy Squires for her work during the City Council facilitation process.
Councillor Braude | 7. |
| 8. 19 th Annual Cambridge Pops taking place on Friday, March 2, 2001 at 8:00 p.m. at the Stratton Student Center at M.I.T, featuring The Winiker Orchestra and Guest of Honor Dr. Charlotte Temin.
Mayor Galluccio | 8. |
| 9. Resolution on the death of John A. Callahan.
Councillor Sullivan, Mayor Galluccio, Councillor Toomey and entire membership | 9. |

**POLICY ORDER AND RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2001**

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| 1. Request for state and federal legislative delegation seek additional funding for home heating assistance.
Councillor Sullivan | 1. |
| 2. Schedule of a roundtable meeting to be dedicated to the City Council's goal of fostering community.
Councillor Davis | 2. |
| 3. Development of a Science and Technology Trail.
Councillor Davis | 3. |
| 4. Status and implementation of smoking regulations of the City of Cambridge.
Councillors Davis and Braude | 4. |
| 5. Report from Central Artery open space parties regarding how the open space will serve Cambridge.
Councillor Davis | 5. |
| 6. Dedication of an appropriate location in memory of Alfred "Fred" Cohn.
Councillor Born | 6. |
| 7. Protection of the Graham and Parks play yard from drive-through traffic.
Councillor Davis | 7. |
| 8. Urge landlords to show moderation and restraint in the amount of rent increases asked of tenants.
Councillors Davis and Decker | 8. |
| 9. Examine how large businesses located in Cambridge can participate in the effort to alleviate the affordable housing crisis in the city.
Councillors Braude, Davis, Vice Mayor Maher, Councillors Born and Decker | 9. |
| 10. Re-filing all aspects of the Citwide Rezoning Petition which are specific to the Larkin Petition Moratorium area.
Councillor Toomey | 10. |

**POLICY ORDER AND RESOLUTION LIST FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2001**

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| 11. Report on budget funding for The Kids' Council initiatives.
Councillors Decker and Reeves | 11. |
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O-1.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: There have been recent increases in utilities costs; and

WHEREAS: These increases will have a severe impact on homeowners and renters, especially those on fixed incomes or subsidies; and

WHEREAS: This will particularly be felt by families already having a difficult time trying to pay rent; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Council requests that our state and federal legislative delegation seek additional funding for home heating assistance.

O-2.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the Mayor schedule a roundtable meeting in the next few months to be dedicated to the City Council's goal of fostering community.

O-3.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to refer to the Historical Commission the idea of developing a Science and Technology Trail to celebrate that aspect of our community.

O-4.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Public Health Commission to examine the City of Cambridge smoking regulations for a report back to the City Council on the status and implementation of the regulations within ninety (90) days.

O-5.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

WHEREAS: Millions of dollars will be spent on East Cambridge open space by the MDC in the process of the Central Artery construction; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to arrange for the Central Artery open space parties to report to the Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee before April 15, 2001 on how the new open space will serve Cambridge in general and East Cambridge in particular.

O-6.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR BORN

ORDERED: That this City Council go on record designating a street corner or another appropriate location in memory to Alfred "Fred" Cohn, after consultation with his family by the Assistant to the City Council, in tribute to his tireless work on behalf of the City of Cambridge.

O-7.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to instruct the Police Commissioner to ensure protection of the Graham & Parks play yard from drive-through vehicular traffic.

O-8.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER

WHEREAS: Many of our neighbors, long-term residents, elderly and disabled, low to moderate income working people of Cambridge, are still being threatened with displacement and the loss of their homes due to escalating rents and eviction, and many are being forced to leave our community because of the acute shortage of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS: The City Council has previously passed resolutions of concern and support for many residents who were at risk of being displaced during this continuing Cambridge affordable housing crisis; and

WHEREAS: The City Council on January 24, 2000 passed Consent Order #O-3, urging all Cambridge landlords to be cognizant of the severe housing shortage, to show moderation and restraint in rent increases, to negotiate in a reasonable manner, in good faith agreements and settlements that will allow Cambridge residents to remain in their homes; and

WHEREAS: The members of the Ellery/Harvard Street Tenant Association are currently paying 50% of their income (or will be paying 50% under the proposed rent increase) toward rent; are facing rent increases of 40-60%; are long-term Cambridge residents - teachers, carpenters, social service and community workers - who participate in the Cambridge community; are tenants who wish to remain in their apartments and negotiate in good faith with the landlord for a more affordable increase; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council urges the landlords of 11-13 Ellery Street/331-331A Harvard Street, Dennis and Marie Dilley of Scituate, MA, to show moderation and restraint in the amount of rent increases asked of tenants; and to negotiate with representatives of the tenant association for affordable increases and standard leases; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the landlords, Dennis and Marie Dilley, 34 Treasure Island Road, Scituate, MA 02066; the building management, c/o Frank Pedro, Harvard Street Management, 126 Prospect Street, Suite 2, Cambridge, MA 02139, and the Cambridge Eviction Free Zone/Campaign to Save 2000 Homes, 11 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA 02138.

O-9.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DECKER

ORDERED: That the Housing Committee conduct a public hearing to examine how the large businesses located in Cambridge can participate in the effort to alleviate the affordable housing crisis in the city.

O-10.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to re-file at an appropriate date all aspects of the Citywide Rezoning Petition which are specific to the Larkin Petition Moratorium area and that the final date for enactment of this re-filed petition shall coincide with the expiration of the Larkin Petition Moratorium, which expires on July 24, 2001.

O-11.

February 12, 2001

COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR REEVES

WHEREAS: The Agenda for Children is a major initiative under the Kids' Council to improve the well being of Cambridge children and their families by focusing on two goals: achievement of literacy for children and their families and quality supervised activities for children and youth; and

WHEREAS: The Center for Families is another major initiative under The Kids' Council to improve the well being of Cambridge children and their families by developing neighborhood-based family support programs to serve all families, particularly to those families with children from birth to age five; and

WHEREAS: The Center for Families of North Cambridge was announced to have received national recognition as a model of exemplary family support program; and

WHEREAS: The Kids' Council will be reviewing and planning for the above two initiatives; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Superintendent of Schools, Assistant City Manager for Human Services, Director of the Cambridge Public Library, Commissioner of the Police Department, and the CEO and Public Health Commissioner of the Cambridge Health Alliance to provide The Kids' Council with a budget report on the following:

- The annual total budget amount for services for Cambridge children ages five to fourteen or in Kindergarten to grade 8;
- Itemization of that annual total budget amount by department, program, and sources of funds (i.e. City revenue, federal grants, state grants, private foundation grants and contributions);
- Within the City's overall budget amount, the percentage allocated for children services;
- The cost to provide benefits to all City employees working less than twenty hours per week in programs operated by the City serving children ages five to fourteen;
- The total amount allocated for staff training for programs serving children ages five to

fourteen;

- The cost to develop another Center for Families; and be it further

ORDERED: That said report be sent to the Budget Goals Subcommittee of The Kids' Council as soon as possible but not later than February 26, 2001 in order for the subcommittee to do its work effectively.

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February 12, 2001

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COMMITTEE REPORTS
FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2001

1. A communication was received from D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk, transmitting a report from Councillor Kathleen L. Born, Chair of the Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee for a meeting held on January 26, 2001 for the purpose of receiving a presentation from David Perry, the architect selected for the rehabilitation of the 57 Inman Street building.

***PUBLIC FACILITIES, ART AND
CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE MEMBERS***

*Councillor Kathleen L. Born, Chair
Councillor Henrietta Davis
Councillor Michael A. Sullivan*

In City Council February 12, 2000

The Public Facilities, Arts and Celebrations Committee held a public meeting on January 26, 2001, beginning at 11:37 a.m. in the Sullivan Chamber for the purpose of receiving a presentation from David Perry, the architect selected for the rehabilitation of the 57 Inman Street building.

Present at the meeting were Councillor Kathleen L. Born, Chair of the Committee, Councillor Henrietta Davis and City Clerk D. Margaret Drury. Also present were Richard Rossi, Deputy City Manager, Lisa Peterson, Assistant to the City Manager, Charles Sullivan, Executive Director for the Historical Commission, and David Perry and David Schatzle, architects.

Councillor Born convened the hearing and explained the purpose. She invited Mr. Rossi to introduce the presentation. Mr. Rossi summarized the progress to date. He said that the project has now reached the stage of preliminary design plans. Mr. Rossi stated that in the course of the work to develop the rehab plan, they discovered more asbestos than was anticipated and other conditions requiring remediation. The cost estimates have gone up accordingly. Total costs are now estimated at between \$7 million and \$8 million. Mr. Rossi then introduced Mr. Perry and Mr. Schatzle.

Mr. Perry outlined the following main objectives of their rehabilitation design:

1. Introduce sound and safe mechanical systems.
2. Take the opportunity presented by the amount of work that must be done to reorganize the building according to “way-finding” design principles and to separate the public space from the private work spaces and locate the public areas closest to the ground floor for ease of public access and way-finding.
3. Create a more pleasant work space and comfortable and pleasant public areas.
4. Address the serious accessibility problems of the building.

Mr. Perry stated that they are recommending that the building be designed and rehabbed to be a “green building.” They would like to see the building achieve a “green building”

rating that falls between silver and gold. He explained that platinum is the highest rating, but that rating is not really achievable in a rehab of an old building.

Mr. Perry and Mr. Schatzle then reviewed the plans, floor by floor. Copies of the plans are attached to this report.

The plan calls for the main entrance to be an on-grade entrance on Broadway, with the floor currently considered the basement as the first floor. The first floor of the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department (TP&T) and the Animal Commission would be on the first floor. There would be a two-story entrance and central area, with an open staircase to the second floor, as well as an elevator. The current Inman Street stairway would connect the first and second floors of the TP&T.

The second floor would house part of the TP&T, the Arts Council, the art gallery and the Planning Board meeting room. The 790 sq. ft Planning Board meeting room would seat a maximum of 70 people, and would be fully equipped for media presentations

Councillor Davis asked if the size of the room would be adequate for Planning Board meetings, and received an affirmative answer from the architects. Mr. Sullivan noted that the room is bigger than the present room. Ms. Peterson said that most of the Planning Board meetings will fit very well in that space, and the really large meetings will continue to be scheduled for the Senior Center.

Councillor Davis said that she would have preferred to see a design that kept the art gallery and Planning Board meeting room on the first floor, so that the public areas on the ground floor would add to the ground level presence on the street. Mr. Rossi noted that the open central area of the ground floor would be used by waiting parties who used to crowd around the entrance to the old third floor meeting room.

Mr. Perry said that the architects would also have preferred to be able to provide a first floor meeting room and art gallery, but the 8 ½ foot ceilings are too low to hang pictures and too low for a meeting room to hold 70 people.

The Community Development Department (CDD) would occupy the third and fourth floors. Councillor Davis noted the importance of adequate space for attractive display of all the brochures, booklets and other material in areas that are easily accessible to the public, perhaps in a lobby library, with a computer available for public use.

Councillor Born agreed with that idea and suggested giving the main reception area more of a lobby library feeling. She then asked about the mechanicals. Mr. Schatzle said that all mechanicals except the furnace are on the roof. They rise two to three feet above the parapet and are partially obscured by a higher roof. In response to a question from Councillor Davis, Mr. Rossi assured the committee that the rooftop mechanicals will comply with city regulations.

Mr. Perry said that they are proposing the best available mechanical system, not in terms of the highest cost, but rather the one with features that meet many of the green building standards.

Councillor Born complimented the architects on their clean and comprehensive approach to the building design. She then asked Mr. Rossi if there had been any thought of putting TP&T at 831 Massachusetts Avenue and putting the Historical Commission and Inspectional Services at 57 Inman Street, along with CDD. She urged Mr. Rossi to consider what grouping of departments makes the most sense in terms of function and customer service. She also urged replacement of the cornices that used to grace the top parapet.

Councillor Davis stated that she likes the green building aspect and the thoughtfulness of the approach to accommodating the public. She requested careful consideration of the exterior parking; she has concerns about the legality of the present configuration of the parking. Councillor Davis then asked about the schedule for completion, and Ms. Peterson said that the expected time until completion is two years from now.

Councillor Born thanked all those present for their participation. The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

For the Committee,

Councillor Kathleen Leahy Born, Chair

**COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS -
FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2001**

1. A communication was received from Councillor Kathleen Born and Vice Mayor David Maher, transmitting the Ordinance Committee Co-Chairs recommended modifications to the Citywide Rezoning Petition.

2. A communication was received from Owen O’Riordan, City Engineer, transmitting notification of the tally of written protest on the Citywide Rezoning Petition.